

MARIETTA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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***** **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** *****

ANNOUNCEMENT: Accreditation Assessment Team invites public comment

DATE: 08/09/04 **TIME:** 7:00pm

LOCATION: Marietta Police Headquarters, Roll Call Room, 150 Haynes Street

A team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will arrive August 7, 2004, to examine all aspects of the Marietta Police Department policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services. Verification by the team that the Marietta Police Department meets the Commission's state-of-the-art standards is part of a voluntary process to maintain accreditation- a highly prized recognition in law enforcement professional excellence. The Marietta Police Department was the first agency in Cobb County to achieve accreditation in 1998. Accreditation is for three years, during which the agency must submit annual reports attesting compliance to the standards under which it was accredited.

As part of the on-site assessment for accreditation renewal, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session on Monday August 9, at 7:00pm. This session will be held at the Marietta Police Headquarters, Roll Call Room. If for some reason an individual cannot speak at the public information session but would still like to provide comments to the assessment team, he/she may do so by telephone. The public may call (770) 794-5374 on August 9th between the hours of 9:30am and 12noon. Telephone comments and appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA standards. A copy of the standards is available at Marietta Police Headquarters. Contact the Accreditation Program Manager, Lt. Danny Messimer, (770) 794-5332.

Persons wishing to submit written comments about the Marietta Police Department's ability to meet the standards for accreditation or for more information are requested to write to: Commission on the Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), 10306 Eaton Place, Suite 320, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030-2201.